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Patricia Head Minaldi

District Judge

Date of Birth: September 12, 1958
 Education: Wesleyan U 1980 BA; Tulane 1983 JD
 Began Service: June 16, 2003
 Appointed By: President George W. Bush
 Political Affiliation: Republican

Government: Assistant District Attorney, Orleans Parish, New Orleans (1983-1986); Assistant Attorney General, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana (1986-1996)

Judicial: Judge, 14th Judicial District of Louisiana (1996-2003)

Current Memberships: Louisiana State Bar Association; Southwest Louisiana Bar Association

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Elizabeth Erny Foote

District Judge

Date of Birth: 1953
 Education: LSU (Alexandria) 1974 BA; Duke 1975 MA;
 LSU Hebert Law 1978 JD
 Began Service: September 10, 2010
 Appointed By: President Barack Obama

Staff

Law Clerk **Andrew Graeve** (318) 934-4781
 Began Service: 2010
 Term Expires: 2011
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Richard T. Haik, Sr.

District Judge

Date of Birth: 1950
 Education: Southwestern Louisiana 1971 BS;
 Loyola U (New Orleans) 1975 JD
 Began Service: June 14, 1991
 Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush
 Political Affiliation: Republican

Judicial: Judge, Louisiana District Court (1984-1991)

Legal Practice: Associate, Haik & Broussard (1975-1979); Partner, Haik, Broussard & Haik (1979-1981); Partner, Haik, Haik & Minvielle (1981-1984); Partner, Verret Partnership (1982-1985)

Military Service: Louisiana National Guard (1971-1978); United States Army Reserve, United States Department of the Army (1978-1984)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; Federal Judges Association; Fifth Circuit District Judges Association; Iberia Parish Bar Association; Louisiana State Bar Association; State Bench Bar Committee, Louisiana State Bar Association

Staff

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Donald E. Walter

Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1936
 Education: LSU 1961 BA, 1964 JD
 Began Service: July 15, 1985
 Appointed By: President George W. Bush

Academic: Adjunct Professor, Centenary College

Government: U.S. Attorney, Louisiana - Western District, Executive Office for United States Attorneys, United States Department of Justice (1969-1977)

Legal Practice: Attorney, Cavanaugh, Brame, Holt & Woodley (1964-1966); Attorney, Holt & Woodley (1966-1969); Attorney, Hargrove, Guyton, Ramey & Barlow (1978-1985)

Military Service: United States Army (1957-1958)

Staff

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James T. Trimble, Jr.

Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1932
 Education: LSU 1955 BA, 1956 JD
 Began Service: September 12, 1991
 Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush
 Political Affiliation: Republican

Judicial: Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the Western District of Louisiana (1986-1991); District Judge, United States District Court for the Western District of Louisiana (1991-2002)

Legal Practice: Attorney, Gist, Murchison, & Gist (1959-1978); Attorney, Trimble, Percy, Smith, Wilson, Foote, Walker & Honeycutt (1979-1986)

Military Service: United States Air Force (1956-1959)

Current Memberships: Federal Judges Association; Louisiana State Bar Association; Louisiana Bar Foundation, Louisiana State Bar Association; Southwest Louisiana Bar Association

Staff

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Tom Stagg

Senior Judge

Note: U.S. District Judge Tom Stagg assumed Senior Status on February 29, 1992.

Date of Birth: 1923
 Education: LSU 1943 BA, 1949 JD
 Began Service: April 1974
 Appointed By: President Richard M. Nixon

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; Louisiana State Bar Association; Shreveport Bar Association

Staff

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 Term Expires: September 2011
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Tucker L. Melancon

Senior Judge

Note: U.S. District Judge Tom Stagg assumed Senior Status on February 29, 1992.

Date of Birth: 1946
 Education: LSU 1968 BS; Tulane 1973 JD
 Began Service: 2009

Current Memberships: The American Inns of Court; American Judicature Society; Federal Bar Association; Louisiana State Bar Association

Chambers of Magistrate Judge James D. Kirk

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James D. Kirk

Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1950
 Education: LSU 1972 BS, 1975 JD
 Began Service: December 15, 1997
 Term Expires: December 2013
 Political Affiliation: Republican

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable William A. Culpepper, Louisiana Court of Appeal, Third Circuit (1975-1976)

Government: Assistant District Attorney, Office of the District Attorney, Natchitoches Parish, State of Louisiana (1979-1981)

Legal Practice: Sole Practitioner, James D. Kirk, A Professional Law Corporation (1996-1997)

Current Memberships: The American Inns of Court; Louisiana State Bar Association

Court Staff

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C. Michael Hill

Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1950
 Education: LSU 1976 JD
 Began Service: July 30, 2001
 Term Expires: July 30, 2017
 Political Affiliation: Democrat

Academic: Staff, Paul M. Hebert Law Center (1976-1977)

Government: Assistant United States Attorney (1977-1982)

Legal Practice: Private Practice (1982-2001)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; The John M. Duhe, Jr. American Inn of Court, The American Inns of Court; Lafayette Parish Bar Association; Louisiana State Bar Association

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